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AMENDMENT/REPLY

Preliminary to continuing examination of the above-captioned patent application, please consider the following amendments and remarks made, in part, in response to the office action mailed April 15, 2002. Also, please amend the application as follows:

In the Title:

Please change the title to the following:

--NEW USE--

In the claims:

Please amend claim 13 as follows:

- Sub 71*
- 13. A method of prevention and treatment of asthma, which comprises instructing a patient to inhale an effective amount of a composition comprising, in admixture:
- (a) a first active ingredient which is formoterol, a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof or a solvate of such a salt; and
  - (b) a second active ingredient which is budesonide;
- characterized in that the patient is instructed to inhale the composition on demand, as determined by the patient based on the patient's symptoms, as a treatment and a preventive measure, when the patient experiences an increase in asthma symptoms.--

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